

### **Student and Exchange Visitor Information System**

General Summary Quarterly Report

For the quarter ending December 30, 2006



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#### **SEVP and SEVIS**

The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) manages the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). SEVP is a program under the Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency within Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

SEVIS was activated in 2003 to track and monitor the status and activities of nonimmigrant students and exchange visitors who enter the United States. This web-based system collects real-time information on nonimmigrant students and exchange visitors and shares it with other governmental agencies.

In addition, SEVIS retains information on U.S. schools and exchange visitor program sponsors that are approved by the DHS and Department of State to admit non-immigrant participants into their programs.



#### **SEVIS Stakeholders**

This table lists the various organizations that typically request data and information from SEVIS and the types of information requested. SEVP continues to see the number of requests increasing as SEVP's abilities and SEVIS' capabilities expand.

The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs in DOS has the responsibility for the designation and management of all "J" nonimmigrant program sponsors.

#### Stakeholders Use of SEVIS Data

Data Use				
Stakeholder	General Statistics	Regulation Compliance	Investigations	
DHS	<b>•</b>	<b>)</b>	<b>)</b>	
ICE (SEVP)	<b>)</b>	<b>)</b>		
ICE (CEU)	<b>)</b>	<b>)</b>	•	
Department of State (DoS)	<b>)</b>	<b>)</b>		
Schools/Program	<b>)</b>	<b>•</b>		
Embassies and Consulates	<b>)</b>	<b>)</b>		
Congress	<b>)</b>	<b>)</b>		
Law Enforcement and Intelligence	<b>)</b>	<b>)</b>	•	
Private Organizations	<b>•</b>			
Other Government Agencies	<b>)</b>			



#### **Report Overview**

The SEVIS "General Data Quarterly Report" is produced to provide useful information to SEVP management and a variety of SEVIS stakeholders.

This edition of the report is for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of calendar year 2006 and represents a sample of data collected from SEVIS implementation through December 30, 2006. Key metric totals for this quarter are represented in the SEVIS Program Totals Summary chart.

The total volume of data in SEVIS continues to grow since the program's inception. Per the chart, data on greater than **2.2 million** international students and their dependants can be found in in SEVIS. There are **915,531** current active international non-immigrant students, exchange visitors, and their dependants in SEVIS.

#### **SEVIS Program Totals Summary**

Metric	Current Total		
Sch	Schools		
Approved	8,803		
Denied	1,467		
Withdrawn	137		
Students (F-1 & M-1)			
Active	630,998		
Dependents	73,378		
Completed	552,293		
Exchange Visitor	Exchange Visitor Program Sponsors		
Active	1,434		
Withdrawn	39		
Exchange Visitors (J-1)			
Active	164,419		
Dependents	46,425		
Inactive	952,183		



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### **School Certification Statistics**

School Data			
Status	Current Total	% Change from Last Quarter	Notes
Approved Schools	8,803	+0.7 %	78 schools were certified this quarter. The number of certified schools increased as new schools (mostly K-12, and small, private schools) continue to apply for certification. Approximately 39% (2983) approved schools currently have zero active students.
Pending Schools	413	+2.5	The School Certification Branch (SCB) continued deleting many duplicate petitions in addition to petitions from non-responsive schools.
Denied Schools	1,467	+2.5	SEVP issues a school denial when the school does not meet basic certification requirements.
Withdrawn Schools	137	+12.3%	Schools may withdraw voluntarily, automatically, or may be withdrawn by SEVP for regulation noncompliance. Schools can reapply after receiving a "withdrawal on notice" one year after the effective date of the withdrawal. (8CFR 214.4 (a))



## **Student, Exchange Visitor and Program Sponsor Statistics**

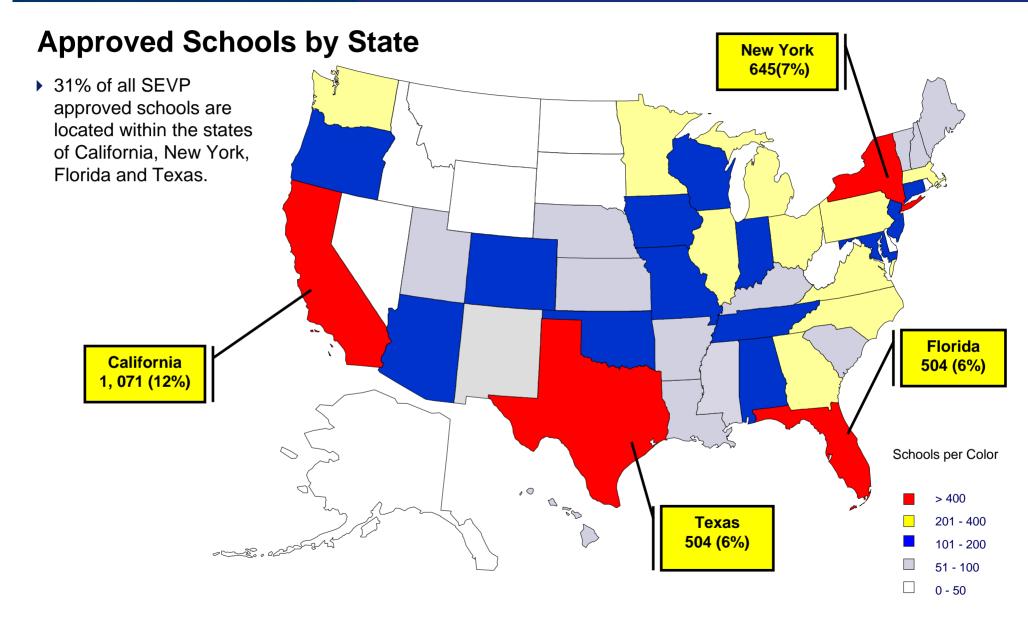
Student Data			
Status Current Total % Change from Last Quarter Notes		Notes	
Active Students	630,998	-5.3%	A decrease in active students participating in the 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter CY can be attributed to the completion of programs. Active student counts are expected to increase during the spring semester. This is consistent with previous years.

Exchange Visitors (EVs) and Program Sponsor Data			
Status Current Total* % Change from Last Quarter Notes		Notes	
Active EVs	164,419	-12.4%	Active exchange visitors are expected to decrease significantly until the next influx of exchange visitors during the summer travel season. This is consistent with 4 <sup>th</sup> quarter CY activity.
Active Program Sponsors	1,443	-0.5%	The total number of designated exchange visitor program sponsors remained within 1% of the current total for the past 4 quarters. Exchange visitor program sponsors are designated through an approval process by DOS.



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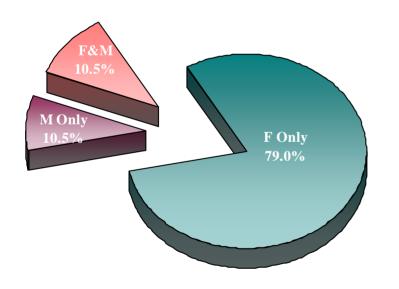




#### Approved Schools by Visa Type

▶ This quarter 78 schools were approved by SEVP. There are 8,803 approved schools registered in SEVIS.

#### Distribution of F-Only, M-Only and F&M Schools



TOP FIVE F ONLY SCHOOLS		
SCHOOL NAME	# of STUDENTS	
The City University of New York	10,992	
University of Southern California	6,366	
Purdue University	5,179	
Columbia University in the City of New York	4,937	
University of Illinois	4,916	

TOP FIVE M ONLY SCHOOLS				
SCHOOL NAME	# of STUDENTS			
Pan Am International Flight Academy	274			
STMC Training Institute	235			
Sierra Academy of Aeronautics-International Training Center	192			
International Airline Training Academy	146			
Delta Connection Academy, Inc.	132			

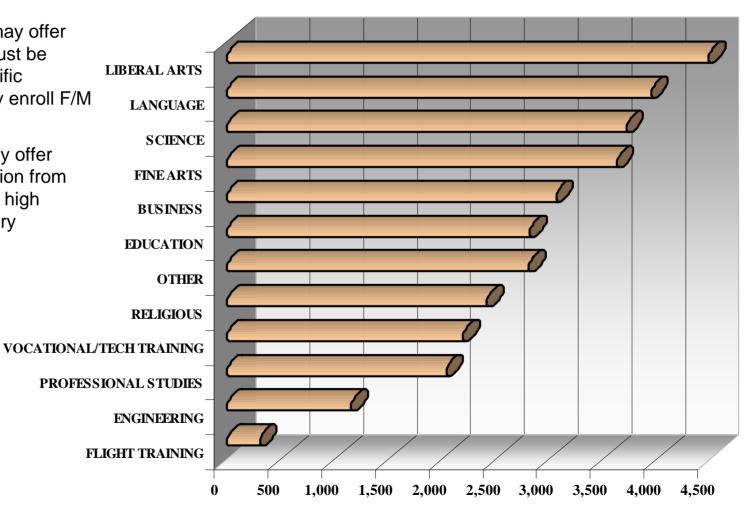
TOP FIVE F and M SCHOOLS		
SCHOOL NAME	# of STUDENTS	
Cornell University	3,556	
Santa Monica College	2,745	
Houston Community College System	1,844	
San Francisco State University (SFSU)	1,775	
The University of Iowa	1,491	



#### **Schools: Curriculum**

- DHS certified schools may offer multiple curricula but must be approved for each specific curriculum in which they enroll F/M students.
- An approved school may offer several levels of education from pre-school, elementary, high school, to post secondary education level.

#### **School Curriculum Distribution**





#### **Certified Schools Enrollment**

As in previous quarters, the City University of New York continues to have the largest number of active F/M students enrolled.

NUMBER OF ACTIVE STUDENTS	# OF SCHOOLS
0	2,983
1-10	2,533
11-50	1,691
51-100	606
101-500	707
501-1,000	150
1,001-5,000	130
>5,000	3

**Top 20 Schools by Active F/M Student Enrollment** 

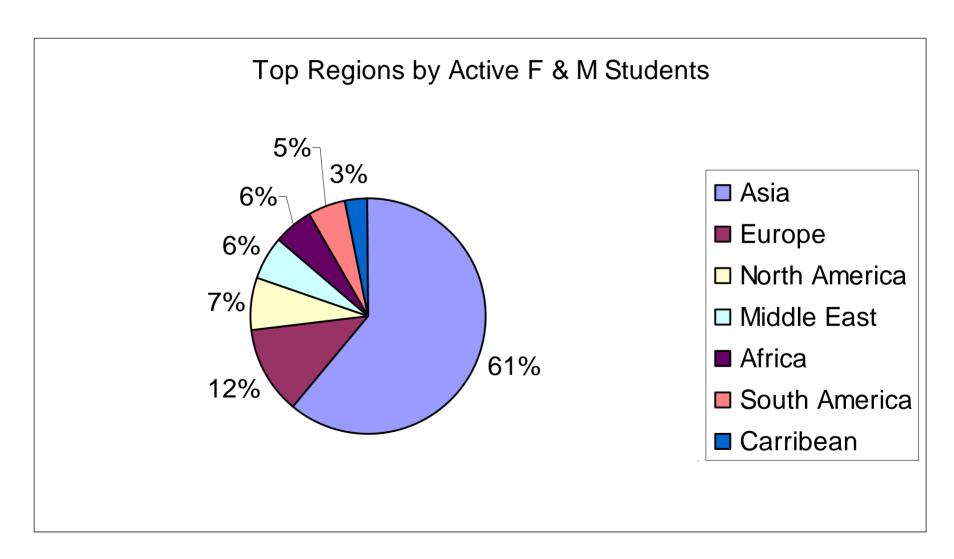
Rank	SCHOOL NAME	STATE	# of Active Students
1	The City University of New York	NY	10,992
2	University of Southern California	CA	6,366
3	Purdue University	IN	5,179
4	Columbia University in the City of New York	NY	4,937
5	University of Illinois	IL	4,916
6	New York University	NY	4,499
7	University of Michigan	MI	4,482
8	Indiana University	IN	4,351
9	University of Texas at Austin	TX	4,160
10	Harvard University	MA	4,007
11	The Ohio State University	OH	4,005
12	Boston University	MA	3,823
13	Texas A&M University	TX	3,685
14	University of Pennsylvania	PA	3,610
15	State University of New York at Buffalo	NY	3,607
16	Cornell University	NY	3,556
17	The Pennsylvania State University	PA	3,474
18	University of Minnesota	MN	3,406
19	University of California, Los Angeles	CA	3,321
20	University of Florida	FL	3,297



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### **Geographic Region**

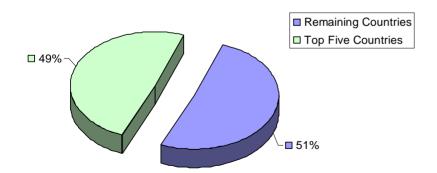




# Country of Citizenship for Visa Type F & M

- ▶ As of December 30, 2006 there were 630,998 active students in SEVIS. This is an overall decrease of student participation of 5.3% from students last quarter.
- South Korea remains the country with the highest number of active students.
- ▶ 49% of the foreign student population come from the top 5 countries.

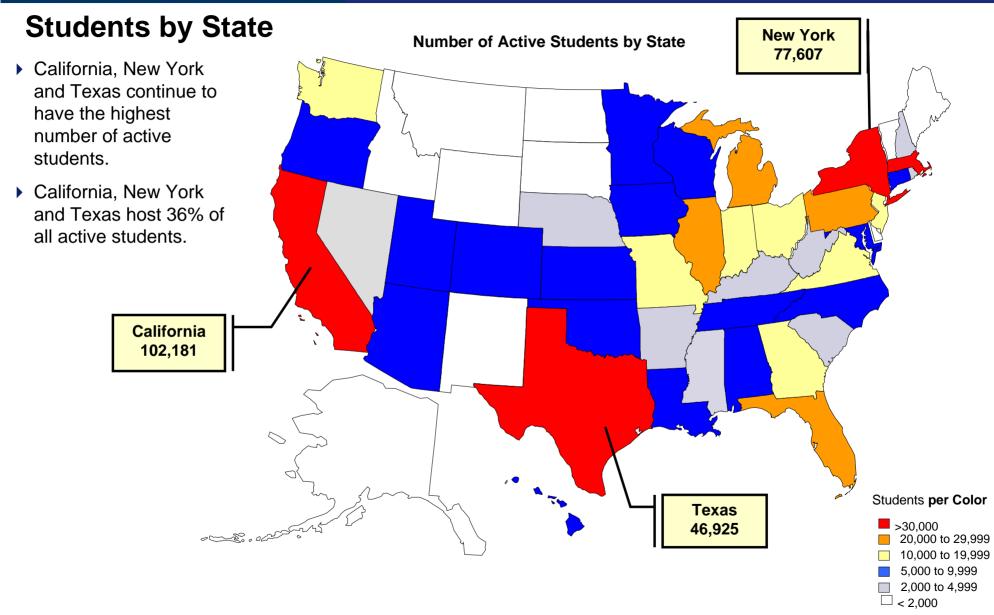
# Percentage of Active F & M Students for Top 5 Countries



**Top 10 Active Countries of Citizenship by Active Students** 

Country of Citizenship	# of Active Students	% of Total Active Students
SOUTH KOREA	93,728	14.9%
INDIA	76,708	12.2%
CHINA	60,850	9.6%
JAPAN	45,820	7.3%
TAIWAN	33,651	5.3%
CANADA	31,234	4.9%
MEXICO	14,453	2.3%
TURKEY	12,106	1.9%
THAILAND	11,009	1.7%
SAUDI ARABIA	9,081	1.4%







### **Level of Education and Course of Study**

 71% of active students are enrolled in Bachelor's, Master's or Doctoral programs.

Level of Education	F-1 Total	M-1 Total	Total
BACHELOR'S	183,079		183,079
MASTER'S	149,987	0	149,987
DOCTORATE	114,809	0	114,809
ASSOCIATE	64,803	0	64,803
LANGUAGE TRAINING	62,591	0	62,591
OTHER	24,830	1	24,831
SECONDARY	21,487	0	21,487
PRIMARY	3,759	0	3,759
OTHER VOCATIONAL SCHOOL	0	3,028	3,028
FLIGHT TRAINING	0	2,457	2,457
HIGH SCHOOL	0	167	167
Total	625,345	5,653	630,998

Top 10 Courses of Study by F & M Active Students

▶ 74% of all active students are enrolled in the top 10 courses of study.

Rank	Course Type	Total
1	BUSINESS, MANAGEMENT, MARKETING, AND RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES	121,436
2	ENGINEERING	82,778
3	BASIC SKILLS	49,885
4	COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCES AND SUPPORT SERVICES	40,735
5	HEALTH PROFESSIONS AND RELATED CLINICAL SCIENCES	33,995
6	LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES, GENERAL STUDIES, AND HUMANITIES	32,837
7	VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS	30,497
8	BIOLOGICAL AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES	28,681
9	SOCIAL SCIENCES	25,967
10	EDUCATION	21,345



### **Foreign Dependents**

▶ Foreign dependents are foreign nationals who are the spouse or qualifying child of an F-1 or M-1 visa holder. Dependents of F-1 or M-1 students are denoted as F-2 or M-2 respectively.

#### F & M Active Students' Dependents

F-2	
Dependent Type	Total
CHILD	31,465
SPOUSE	41,913
Total	73,378

M-2	
Dependent Type	Total
CHILD	182
SPOUSE	129
Total	311



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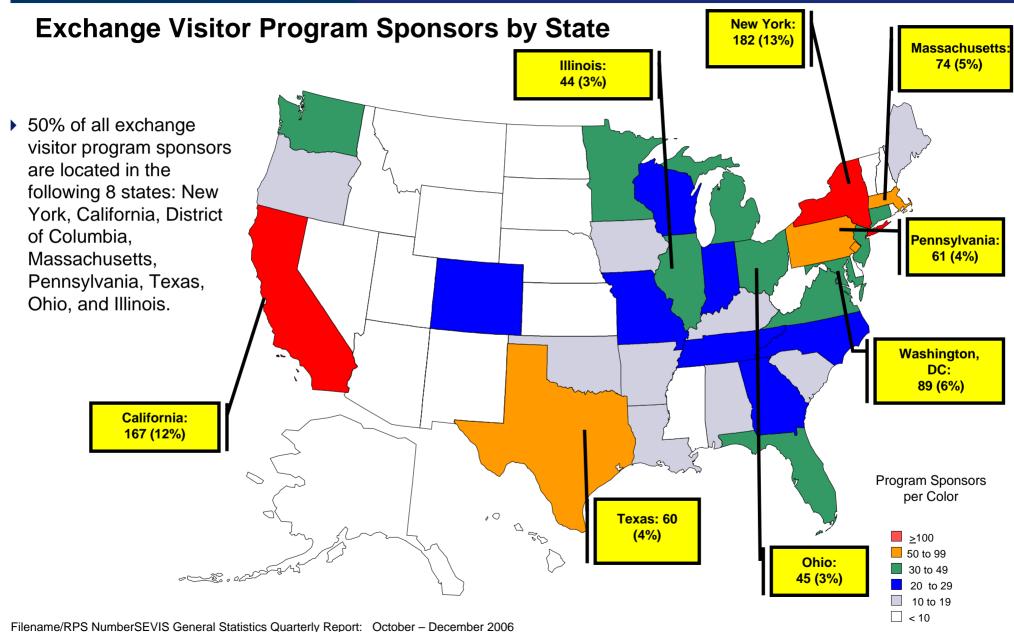
#### **Exchange Visitor Program Sponsor to Program Type**

#### **Comparison of EV Program Sponsor Types to Program Type**

Program Sponsor	Academic	Au Pair	Camp Counselor	Government	Research	Summer Work/Travel	Teacher	Teen/ Secondary	Training	Total
Educational Sponsor	783	0	0	0	39	2	11	1	5	841
Non-Profit	55	5	17	0	74	29	11	111	68	370
Business and Industrial Concerns (for-profit)	7	6	6	0	20	21	2	0	71	133
Federal Government	3	0	0	22	3	0	0	0	5	33
Other National, State, or Local Government	6	0	0	0	2	0	16	0	0	24
Hospitals and Health-Related Organizations	9	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	20
U.S. Department of State	3	0	0	11	0	0	1	0	1	16
International Agencies or Organizations with U.S. Gov't Interaction	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
U.S. Agency for International Development	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Total	869	11	23	35	149	52	41	112	151	1,443

- ▶ The total number of designated exchange visitor program sponsors remained within 1% of the current total for the past 4 quarters.
- ▶ At approximately 60%, academic programs represent the most common exchange visitor program type in SEVIS.
- ▶ Educational institutions is the largest group, approximately 58%, of the total exchange visitor program sponsor types.





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### **Category**

► The top four categories account for 64% of all students.

#### **Exchange Visitors by Category**

Exchange Visitor Category	Total	Percentage
RESEARCH SCHOLAR	38,619	23.5%
STUDENT SECONDARY	27,330	16.6%
SUMMER TRAVEL/WORK	22,098	13.4%
AU PAIR	16,586	10.1%
TRAINEE (NON-SPECIALTY)	12,765	7.8%
TRAINEE (SPECIALTY)	8,395	5.1%
STUDENT DOCTORATE	7,492	4.6%
STUDENT NON-DEGREE	7,453	4.5%
ALIEN PHYSICIAN	5,879	3.6%
STUDENT MASTERS	5,663	3.4%
TEACHER	5,263	3.2%
STUDENT BACHELORS	2,907	1.8%
PROFESSOR	1,892	1.2%
SHORT-TERM SCHOLAR	959	0.6%
SPECIALIST	576	0.4%
STUDENT ASSOCIATE	293	0.2%
GOVERNMENT VISITOR	148	0.1%
INTERNATIONAL VISITOR	100	0.1%
CAMP COUNSELOR	1	0.0%
Total	164,419	100.0%



### **Country of Citizenship**

- ▶ The top 10 countries of citizenship for active exchange visitors account for 56% of all active exchange visitors in SEVIS.
- ▶ There are 232 different countries of citizenship registered in SEVIS.

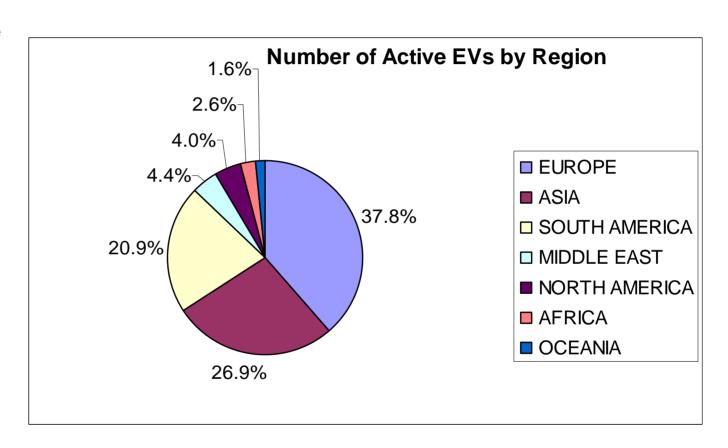
**Top 10 Countries of Citizenship by Active Exchange Visitors** 

Rank	Country	# of Active EVs	% of Total Active Evs
1	GERMANY	18,394	11.2%
2	BRAZIL	15,992	9.7%
3	CHINA	9,515	5.8%
4	SOUTH KOREA	9,106	5.5%
5	JAPAN	7,591	4.6%
6	FRANCE	6,993	4.3%
7	PERU	6,323	3.8%
8	INDIA	5,104	3.1%
9	UNITED KINGDOM	4,445	2.7%
10	THAILAND	4,186	2.5%



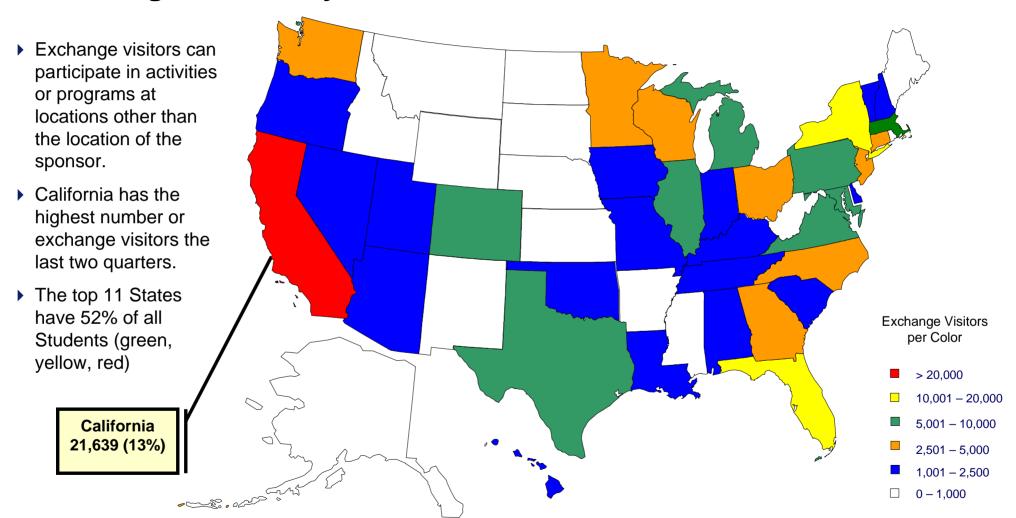
### **Geographic Region**

- Europe continues to have the highest number, 37.8%, of active exchange visitors in SEVIS.
- Central America and Caribbean account for less than 1% each.
- Overall there is a significant decrease of 23,233 active exchange visitors since last quarter due to summer work travel and teen/secondary seasonal categories.





#### **Exchange Visitors by State**





### **Exchange Visitor Dependents**

- ▶ Exchange visitor dependents are foreign nationals who are the spouse or qualifying child of a J-1 visa holder. Dependent exchange visitors are denoted as J-2.
- ▶ There are currently 46,425 active dependent J-2s in SEVIS. The number of dependents that come from South Korea (8,964) and from China (5,592) account for 31% of all EV dependents.

#### **Exchange Visitor Dependents by Type**

Exchange Visitor Dependents J-2		
Dependent Type	Total	
CHILD	21,642	
SPOUSE	24,783	
Total	46,425	



### **Types of Programs**

- ▶ The total number of designated exchange visitor program sponsors remained within 1% of the current total for the past 4 quarters.
- At approximately 60%, Academic programs represent the most common exchange visitor program type in SEVIS.

#### Number of Designated Exchange Visitor Program Sponsors by Type of Program

Type of Exchange Program	Dec-05	Mar-06	Jun-06	Sep-06	Dec-06	% of Total Programs
Academic	867	854	859	870	869	59.9%
Training	163	155	154	154	151	10.7%
Research	151	148	149	149	149	10.4%
Teen/Secondary	124	117	114	116	112	7.9%
Summer Work/Travel	52	50	50	51	52	3.5%
Teacher	43	42	41	41	41	2.9%
Government	35	35	35	35	35	2.4%
Camp Counsler	22	21	21	23	23	1.5%
Au Pair	11	11	11	11	11	0.8%
Total	1,468	1,433	1,434	1,450	1,443	100.0%



### **Types of Sponsors**

#### **Number of Designated Exchange Visitor Program Sponsors by Type of Sponsor**

Exchange Program Sponsor	Dec-05	Mar-06	Jun-06	Sep-06	Dec-06	% of Exchange Program Sponsors
Educational Institutions	841	830	831	840	841	58.3%
Non-Profit Associations	396	376	374	377	370	25.6%
Business and Industrial (for Profit)	133	130	131	134	133	9.2%
Federal Government	34	32	32	33	33	2.3%
Other National, State, or Local Government	23	23	24	24	24	1.7%
Hospitals and Health-Related Institutions	19	20	20	20	20	1.4%
U.S. Department of State	16	16	16	16	16	1.1%
International Agencies or Agencies With U.S. Gov't Interaction	4	4	4	4	4	0.3%
U.S. Agency for International Development	2	2	2	2	2	0.1%
Total	1,468	1,433	1,434	1,450	1,443	100.0%

▶ Educational Institutions is the largest group, approximately 58%, of the total exchange visitor program sponsor types.



#### **Active Exchange Visitors by Exchange Visitor Program Sponsors**

Rank	Program Sponsor	Program Type	# of Active Exchange Visitors	Ranking as of Sep.30, 2006
1	Cultural Care, Inc. d/b/a Cultural Care Au Pair	Au Pair	6,082	2
2	Camp Counselors USA/Work Experience USA	Summer Work/Travel	6,007	838
3	Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates	Training	5,930	3
4	American Institute For Foreign Study dba Au Pair in America	Au Pair	4,711	5
5	U.S. Department of State (ECA/A/E)	Government	3,526	7
6	EF Foundation for Foreign Study	Teen/Secondary	3,065	9
7	AuPairCare Inc.	Au Pair	3,038	10
8	Council on International Educational Exchange	Training	2,686	1
9	AFS USA, Inc.	Teen/Secondary	2,561	12
10	International Branch, YMCA of Greater NY	Summer Work/Travel	2,151	70
11	U.S. Department of State (ECA/PE/C/PY)	Government	2,148	296
12	National Institutes of Health, Dept. HHS	Academic	2,025	16
13	Council on International Educational Exchange	Summer Work/Travel	1,909	11
14	Association for International Practical Training	Training	1,866	17
15	Youth For Understanding USA, Inc.	Teen/Secondary	1,859	18
16	Harvard University	Academic	1,807	21
17	Alliance Abroad Group, L.P.	Summer Work/Travel	1,757	59
18	Center for International Education, Inc.	Teacher	1,707	22
19	Intrax Work/Travel	Summer Work/Travel	1,505	13
20	AYUSA International	Teen/Secondary	1,412	26

- ▶ Summer Work/ Travel and Teen/Secondary related programs represent 50% of the top 20 exchange visitor programs.
- ▶ 35% of the active exchange visitors are participating in the top 20 exchange visitor program sponsors.



# Glossary



# **Glossary**

SEVIS Visa Types	Description
F-1	Foreign students pursuing a full course of study in a college, university, seminary, conservatory, academic high school, private elementary school, other academic institution, or language training program in the United States that has been approved by the Service to enroll foreign students.
F-2	An F-2 nonimmigrant is a foreign national who is the spouse or qualifying child (under the age of 21) of an F-1 nonimmigrant.
M-1	Foreign nationals pursuing a full course of study at a Service-approved vocational school or other recognized nonacademic institution (other than in language training programs) in the United States.
M-2	A foreign national who is the spouse or qualifying child (under the age of 21) of an M-1 nonimmigrant.
J-1	Foreign nationals who have been selected by a sponsor, designated by the United States Department of State (DOS), to participate in an exchange visitor program and who is seeking to enter or has entered the United States temporarily as an exchange visitor on a J-1 visa. This term of exchange visitor does not include the visitor's family.
J-2	The accompanying spouse and minor children of an exchange visitor (J-1) who are accompanying or following to join the exchange visitor and who are seeking to enter or have entered the United States temporarily on a J-2 visa. For clarifications, a minor is a unmarried person under the age of 21 years old.



INS Forms	Descriptions
I-17	Petition for Approval of School for Attendance by Nonimmigrant Student
I-20	Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant student for F-1 and M-1 Status
DS-2019	Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitors (J-1) Status
DS-3036	Exchange Visitor Program Application
DS-3037	Update of Information on Exchange Visitor Program Sponsor



Student Statuses	Description
Active	The student has registered and enrolled in class. Student is considered to be "in status."
Canceled	A student who was issued a Form I-20 for initial attendance at a school, but did not register to attend classes, and have no record that they have entered the United States to attend the institution that issued the I-20.
Completed	The student has completed his or her course of study and all other program related activities at the school.
Deactivated	A school official has deactivated a student's record at the school due to the student transferring to a different school
Initial	The student's record has been created by a school official and saved to the SEVIS database, but the student has not registered at the school.
Terminated	A DHS or a school official has terminated the student; termination implies a change from Active status prior to program completion and for a reason other than "Program Completion."



<b>Exchange Visitor Statuses</b>	Description
Active	The sponsor has validated an exchange visitor's participation in his/her program.
Inactive	The exchange visitor completes or withdraws from his or her program or the program sponsor has cancelled the exchange visitor's SEVIS record (e.g., nonimmigrant is not able to participate in the program as anticipated due to inability to acquire a visa; personal reasons, etc.)
Initial	Exchange visitor's record has been created and saved to the SEVIS database but the program sponsor has not validated the exchange visitor's program.
Invalid	An exchange visitor issued a Form DS-2019 by a program does not use the form to obtain a visa or the exchange visitor uses the Form DS-2019 to obtain a visa but does not enter the United States through a port of entry within 30 days of the program start date identified on the form.
No Show	The exchange visitor's program participation has not been validated in SEVIS, is 30 days after the program start date listed on the Form DS-2019 that was issued, and the exchange visitor has entered the United States through a port of entry but has not reported to or has not been validated by the program sponsor.
Terminated	The program sponsor has terminated the exchange visitor's participation; termination implies a change from active program status prior to program completion
Transferred	The exchange visitor is transferring between two program sponsors authorized access to SEVIS.
Transferred NS	Transfer to a non- SEVIS program. This status is no longer available. However few records are still present from initial use.



School Statuses	Description
Approved	A school certified by the government to accept foreign nationals into F-1/M-1 academic or vocational programs of study.
Pending	A school that has submitted an I-17 form and is currently going through the adjudication process
Denied	A school that has applied and not submitted an I-17 but was not certified to admit foreign students (schools that have been denied can reapply or appeal).
Withdrawn	A school that was certified to admit foreign students but has either voluntarily opted out or has been removed from the SEVIS system.

Program Statuses	Description
Active	An organization has applied to and been designated by DoS to conduct an exchange visitor program as a sponsor
Withdrawn	An exchange visitor program sponsor that was once admitted to the SEVIS program, but has notified Dos and discontinued participation in the exchange visitor program.



Term	Definition
School	An institute of learning required to submit an I-17 form to be a SEVIS certified institution.
Campus	A campus is considered a subset of a school and is not required to fill out its own I-17 form for SEVIS certification.